Phylum **Onychophora** Grube, 1853¹ (4 families², 52 genera, 182 species, 2/3/3³)

Family **Peripatidae** Evans, 1901 (11 genera, 73 species⁴, 1/1)

Family Peripatopsidae Bouvier, 1907⁵ (39 genera, 107 species⁶)

Family †Succinipatopsidae Poinar, 2000 (1 genus, 1 species, 1/1)

Family †Tertiapatidae Poinar, 2000 (1 genus, 1 species, 1/1)

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^{2.} Status of Tertiapatidae and Succinipatopsidae is uncertain (see Grimaldi et al., 2002).

^{3.} Classification of fossils according to Grimaldi et al. (2002); x/y/z following totals indicating numbers of taxa based on fossil.

^{4.} Additional seven "subspecies" and two "mutations" have been described, but their status is unclear.

^{5.} The citation of Bouvier (1904) in this context is incorrect as he did not use the correct spelling of Peripatopsidae in his paper.

^{6.} Three additional "variations" have been described, which have to be revised as it is unclear whether they represent additional species or not.